(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the negative, why it was not done so up to this time ;

(*c*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, whether the list that the Minor Irrigation Department has prepared for the purpose will be laid on the table ;

(*d*) whether the Minor Irrigation Department has improved any *chira* or *kulam* in the Nedumangad taluk in the year 1110 or 1111 M. E. ;

(*e*) if the answer to part (*d*) is in the affirmative, what are the *chiras* and *kulams* improved ; and

(*f*) if the answer to part (*d*) is in the negative, why no work was executed ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : (*a*) No.

(*b*) It was not found necessary.

(*c*) This does not arise.

(*d*) Yes. Restoration of rain damages in some tanks.

(*e*) A list of them is placed on the table.

(*f*) Some of the necessary works brought to the notice of the department are under investigation and some estimates have been prepared and are pending sanction.

Conversion of traces in the Nedumangad taluk.

220. ❋MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) what has become of the allotment granted in the budget for 1110 M. E. to convert the Vamanapuram—Nagaroor trace and Kallara-Aruvipuram trace into new cart roads ;

(*b*) whether the above two works have been taken up and executed ;

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the negative, why the works were not carried out ; and

(*d*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the affirmative, how far the works have progressed ?

MR G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : (*a*) There was no provision in the budget for 1110 for the conversion of the traces into cart roads.

(*b*), (*c*) & (*d*) The improvements to the Vamanapuram—Nagaroor trace have been taken in hand and about one mile has been improved and further works are in good progress. Nothing has been done with regard to the Kallara-Aruvipuram trace since the ryots' portion of the work as per the Ryots' Road Rules has not been completed.

Toll-Gates.

221. ❋MR. P. C. KURIYAN (*Kottayam I*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of toll-gates a motor car has to pass through on its way from Cape Comorin to North Parur and the amount it has to pay by way of toll fees ; and

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❋*Vide* Appendix IV.

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